

Data Assurance Board

Information Standards Notice

Acting under delegated authority from the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, the Data Assurance Board (DAB) has approved a new information standard for publication under section 250 of the Health and Social Act 2012.

You must comply with this new standard by the full conformance date specified below.

Standard details	
DAPB unique identifier	DAPB3066 Amd 01/2025
Name	Digital Maternity Record Standard (DMRS), Release 2
Approval date	18 March 2025
Publication date	31 March 2025
Standard definition	
Description	<p>NHS England has been collaborating with midwives, obstetricians, nurses and other clinicians to create the maternity record standard, which relates to direct patient care, describing the optimal data structure and format of a maternity record.</p> <p>This new release of the DMRS provides for local implementation of this maternity record within maternity services and supplier systems to enable consistency of information across maternity providers. This will ensure that both health and care professionals and maternity service users have the necessary information in the right place at the right time, to improve the quality and safety of maternity care.</p> <p>The standard will also support maternity service users by enabling more personalised care, as well as helping midwives and clinicians to provide holistic care.</p>
Scope (Health and Social Care Act 2012)	NHS Services
Applies to	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• all Maternity service providers MUST implement the entire record standard• all Ultrasonography service providers MUST implement the Scan Report Heading and all the Elements contained within that Heading• all other service providers with an active involvement during a pregnancy episode MAY implement the standard• all healthcare professionals working in maternity services MUST work with their organisation's informatics team to ensure effective local implementation.
Impacts upon	Implementation of this information standard impacts all health IT systems suppliers providing systems to the above providers; suppliers should work with their customers to determine necessary changes.

Legal authority	This information standard is published under section 250 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012.
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Link to further documentation	<p>The Requirements Specification and Implementation Guidance are available on the NHS England website: DAPB3066 Digital Maternity Record Standard - NHS England Digital</p> <p>Further guidance is published by NHS England: NHS England » Maternity Transformation Programme (MTP): Harnessing Digital Technology</p>
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Dates	
Implementation and conformance dates	Compliance with Release 2 of DAPB3066 must be achieved no later than 31 December 2025.
Post Implementation Review date	31 December 2026

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